

**Objection Deadline: November 4, 2016**

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re	:	Chapter 11
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Gawker Media LLC, <i>et al.</i> , <sup>1</sup>	:	Case No. 16-11700 (SMB)
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Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
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**THIRD MONTHLY STATEMENT OF CAHILL GORDON & REINDEL LLP  
AS SPECIAL LITIGATION COUNSEL TO THE DEBTORS FOR  
COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED  
FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2016**

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<sup>1</sup> The last four digits of the taxpayer identification number of the debtors are: Gawker Media LLC (0492); Gawker Media Group, Inc. (3231); and Kinja Kft. (5056). The offices of Gawker Media LLC and Gawker Media Group, Inc. are located at 114 Fifth Avenue, 2d Floor, New York, NY 10011. Kinja Kft.'s offices are located at Andrássy út 66. 1062 Budapest, Hungary.

Name of Applicant: Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP

Authorized to Provide  
Professional Services to: The Debtors

Date of Retention: August 11, 2016 *nunc pro tunc* to June 10, 2016

Period for Which Compensation and/or  
Reimbursement is Sought: September 1, 2016, through  
and including September 30, 2016

Total Amount of Compensation Sought  
At Agreed Discounted Rates Fees: \$7,360.00  
(Not Applying 20% Holdback for Fees) Expenses: \$32.50

This is a(n) X monthly \_\_\_ interim \_\_\_ final application. No prior application was filed for this Fee Period.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Notice of this Monthly Fee Statement (as defined herein) will be served in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order (as defined herein), and any objections to the relief requested in this Monthly Fee Statement must be addressed in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order.

**Summary Chart of Previous Monthly Fee Statements and Fee Applications**

Monthly Fee Statements					
Date Filed	Period Covered	Fees Requested	Expenses Requested	Fees Paid to Date	Expenses Paid to Date
August 19, 2016	6/10-7/31/16	\$31,557.20	\$709.26	\$25,245.76	\$709.26
September 19, 2016	8/1/16-8/31/16	\$25,440.00	\$99.16	\$20,352.00	\$99.16
Fee Applications					
Date Filed	Period Covered	Fees Requested	Expenses Requested	Fees Paid to Date	Expenses Paid to Date
N/A					

Pursuant to sections 327, 330, and 331 of chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), and the Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals entered by this Court on July 13, 2016 [Docket No. 94] (the “Interim Compensation Order”), Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP (“Cahill”), Special Litigation Counsel to the debtors and debtors in possession in these proceedings (the “Debtors”) with respect to the Mail Media Litigation (as defined in the Debtors’ Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Cahill dated July 25, 2016 (the “Cahill Retention Application”) [Docket No. 131]<sup>3</sup>), hereby files this monthly fee statement (this “Monthly Fee Statement”) for the period of September 1, 2016 through and including September 30, 2016 (the “Fee Period”) for (a) compensation in the amount of \$7,360.00<sup>4</sup> for the actual and necessary legal services rendered by Cahill to the Debtors during the Fee Period (80% of which is \$5,888.00), and (b) reimbursement for the actual and necessary expenses incurred by Cahill during the Fee Period in the amount of \$32.50.

**Itemization of Services Rendered and Disbursements Incurred**

In support of this Monthly Fee Statement, attached are the following exhibits:

**Exhibit A** is a schedule of the number of hours expended and fees incurred on an aggregate basis by Cahill’s attorneys during the Fee Period with respect to certain categories.

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<sup>3</sup> The Cahill Retention Application was granted by Order dated August 11, 2016 [Docket No. 169].

<sup>4</sup> As disclosed in the Cahill Retention Application, Cahill is charging special discounted hourly rates, well below Cahill’s usual and customary rates, that were agreed upon for this matter. The discount amounts to approximately \$3,000.00 for this period.

**Exhibit B** is a schedule providing certain information regarding the Cahill attorneys and paraprofessionals for whose work compensation is sought in this Monthly Fee Statement. Attorneys have expended a total of 9.20 hours in connection with the Debtors during the Fee Period.

**Exhibit C** is a schedule setting forth the total amount of reimbursement sought with respect to each category of expenses for which Cahill is seeking reimbursement in this Monthly Fee Statement.

**Exhibit D** consists of Cahill's invoice rendered to, and approved by, the Debtors, which includes time detail and records of fees and expenses incurred during the Fee Period.

WHEREFORE, Cahill requests that it be allowed reimbursement for its reasonable fees and expenses incurred during the Fee Period in the total amount of \$5,920.50, consisting of (a) \$5,888.00, which is 80% of the reasonable fees incurred by the Debtors for actual and necessary professional services rendered by Cahill, and (b) \$32.50 for actual and necessary costs and expenses, and that such fees and expenses be paid as administrative expenses of the Debtors.

Dated: October 19, 2016  
New York, New York

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**EXHIBIT A**

**Statement of Fees by Subject Matter**

Project Category	Total Hours Billed	Total Fees Requested
Mail Online Litigation	5.30	\$4,240.00
Monthly Fee Statement	<u>3.90</u>	<u>\$3,120.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	9.20	\$7,360.00

**EXHIBIT B**

**Attorney Information**

<b>Attorney</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Year First Admitted to Bar</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Hourly Billing Rate<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>Total Hours Billed</b>	<b>Total Compensation</b>
Susan Buckley	Partner	1978	Media Litigation	\$800	8.00	\$6,400.00
Joel H. Levitin	Partner	1987	Bankruptcy & Restructuring	800	1.20	\$960.00
<b>TOTAL</b>					9.20	\$7,360.00

Blended Hourly Rate: \$800

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<sup>5</sup> As disclosed in the Cahill Retention Application, Cahill is charging special discounted hourly rates, well below Cahill's usual and customary rates, that were agreed upon for this matter. The discount amounts to approximately \$3,000 for this period.

**EXHIBIT C**

**Summary of Actual and Necessary Expenses for the Fee Period<sup>6</sup>**

<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Word Processing	\$32.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32.50</b>

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<sup>6</sup> Cahill submits that these expenses are reasonable and economical, are the type of expenses that are customarily charged to Cahill's non-bankruptcy clients, and reflect the actual amounts billed to, or paid by, Cahill on behalf of the Debtors.



**EXHIBIT D**

FED. TAX ID NO. 13-5510029

Gawker Media, LLC  
c/o Opportune LLP  
10 East 53rd Street  
33rd Floor  
New York, NY 10022

WIRE TRANSFER  
HSBC BANK USA, 110 WILLIAM STREET, N.Y., N.Y. 10038  
ABA #021001088  
CAHILL GORDON & REINDEL LLP  
A/C #015-70965-5  
BILL NO.

CAHILL GORDON & REINDEL LLP 244590  
EIGHTY PINE STREET  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10005-1702  
October 12, 2016

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Re: DIP Special Litigation Counsel

For professional services rendered in connection with the DIP Special Litigation Counsel matter during the period ended September 30, 2016 .....	\$ 7,360.00
Disbursements and charges .....	32.50
TOTAL	<u>\$ 7,392.50</u>

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FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
09/12/16	Buckley, S	E-corr to/from COC re: current status of settlement and Gawker archives	0.30
09/13/16	Buckley, S	E-corr. COC re: settlement issues (.10); e-corr to/from J. Levitin re: objections not received (.10)	0.20
09/14/16	Levitin, JH	Preparing August fee statement and corresp re same.	0.50
09/14/16	Buckley, S	Rev. corr. from Oliveri re settlement progress (.10); e-mem. COC re: same (.10); rev. Levitin template and rev. draft of monthly statement details. (.20)	0.40
09/15/16	Levitin, JH	Corresp w/ S Buckley regarding statement issues.	0.20
09/15/16	Buckley, S	Internal communications re: monthly fee statement for August	0.30
09/16/16	Buckley, S	Gathering information for monthly statement (.50); categorizing all time for monthly statement (.50); revise draft of statement (1.0)	2.00
09/19/16	Levitin, JH	Finalizing fee statement for filing (.4) and discussions w/ S Buckley re same (.1).	0.50
09/19/16	Buckley, S	TC J. Levitin re: today's filing	0.10
09/20/16	Buckley, S	Rev. corr. from opposing counsel (.10); review his revised draft of settlement agreement (.40); mem. to client re: proposed revisions and suggested response (.30); e-corr to/from S. Abdel re: litigation going forward (.20)	1.00
09/21/16	Buckley, S	Rev. COC comments on new draft and respond	0.40
09/23/16	Buckley, S	Rev. mem. from COC and respond (.40); communications with new counsel for Gawker (.20)	0.60
09/28/16	Buckley, S	Correspondence with Will Holden re: settlement (.30); rev. corr. from opposing counsel re: same (.10)	0.40
09/29/16	Buckley, S	Prep. for conference call re: settlement (.30); conf. call Will Holden re: settlement (.50); e-corr. and TC opposing counsel (.50); revise settlement docs per discussions (.70); mem. to Holden re: revisions (.30)	2.30

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
TOTAL TIME			9.20

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Buckley, S	800.00	8.00	6,400.00
Levitin, JH	800.00	1.20	960.00
TOTAL		9.20	\$7,360.00

<u>DISBURSEMENTS AND CHARGES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Word Processing	32.50
Total Disbursements	\$32.50